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<MESSAGEBODY>Today I read an astounding news article about the reopening of the Gold Hill Mine in Quartzburg. It said that the mine tailings are not tailings but "stockpiled ore." Your name was tied into the article as well. I wanted to let you know that this has to be a huge investor scam. I worked for Gold Post Resources, out of Canada, in the 80s as a precious metals exploration geologist, and I spent almost 6 months working on the Gold Hill Mine to reestablish the 32 or 36 original claim boundaries, don't recall how many now, and to determine if there were values remaining to justify reopening the mine. We grid sampled the tailings and they were almost exclusively made up of "country rock," with little to no values in them. We also drilled some 5000 lineal feet of core hole to determine the underground potential, and found almost no values remaining there either. That of course doesn't mean there are none. The Gold Hill deposit is a vein system, and drilling vein deposits is strictly a hit or miss operation, and very unreliable.

At that time there were two claims in the original complex of claims that had been in dispute as to ownership, and supposedly they had never been worked. When we drilled those two claims we brought up mine timber in our core tube from a depth of about 220'. They had been illegally mined out before the mine was closed. We determined that there was no economic potential remaining to warrant reopening the mine, either as a heap leach operation or underground vein operation. A major portion of that decision hinged on the assay reports we obtained from the tailings.

I thought you might want to distance yourself from this project as it is very likely to turn out very badly. Also, you may remember my name from an event a number of years ago when you were supposed to attend a donation of a 64 pound iron meteorite to State Parks and Rec, but you could not make it so your wife took your place. I was the one donating that meteorite to the State.

Yours,

Ron Reil</MESSAGEBODY>